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Joppa Clammers, ca. 1890 - 1899
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Clam Shacks

For centuries, clamming was big business in Newburyport.

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Where the Newburyport High School is today.

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The Pink House

This house's notoriety is in part due to a popular local urban legend.

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Gas became a popular method of outdoor and indoor lighting, it was made from coal.

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The ballon/air ship being filled - The Griffin Fair
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Griffin House

Eliphalet Griffin's great passion was Newburyport's Home for Aged Men.

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Henry W. Moulton built Moulton Castle in 1868, it was torn down in 1900.

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Abbie Foster

Abbie Foster was given the land for a \$1 and built this beautiful mansion as a widow at the age of 46.

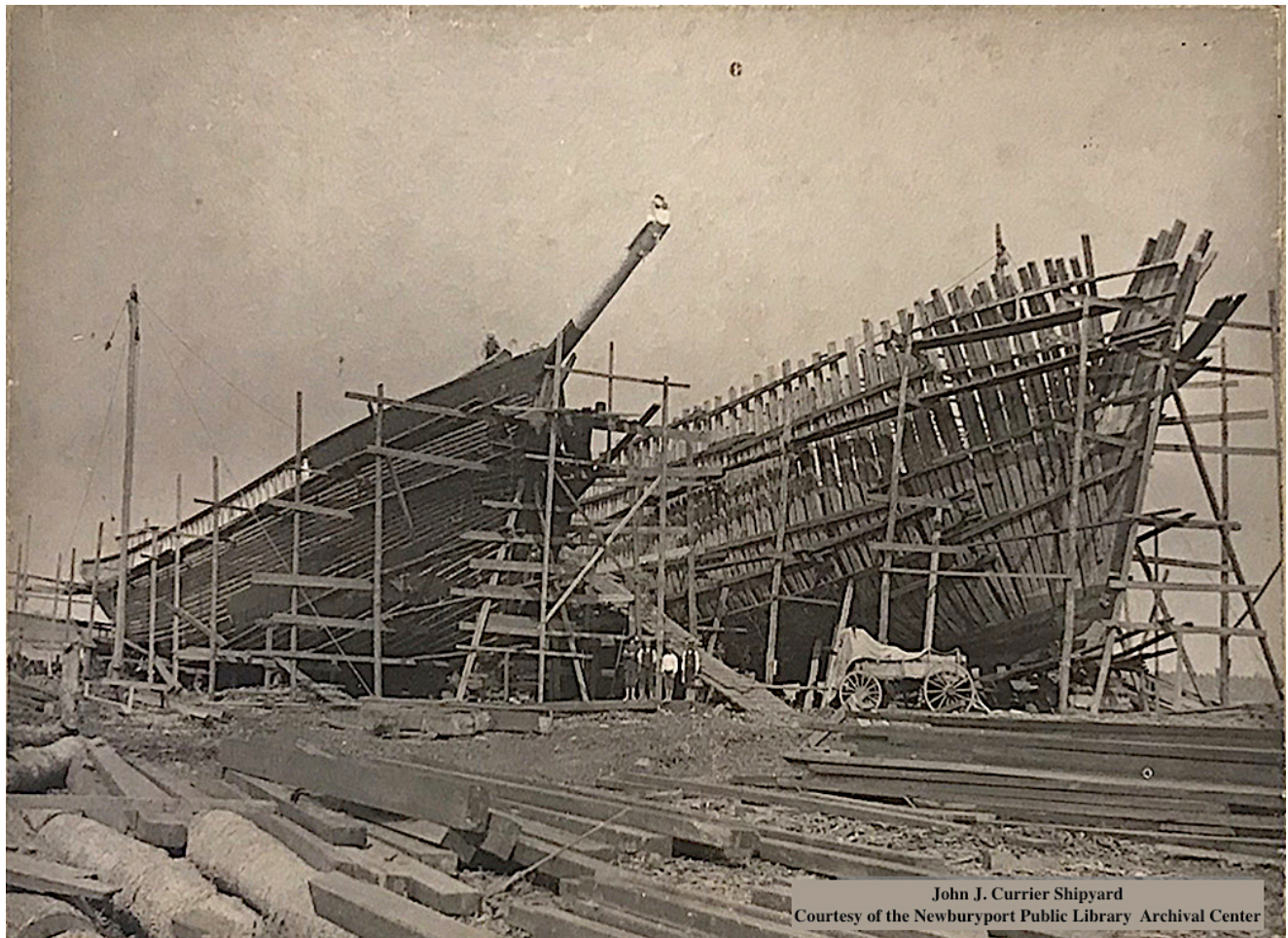
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The Industrialization and the Expansion of the North End of Newburyport in the 1800s.

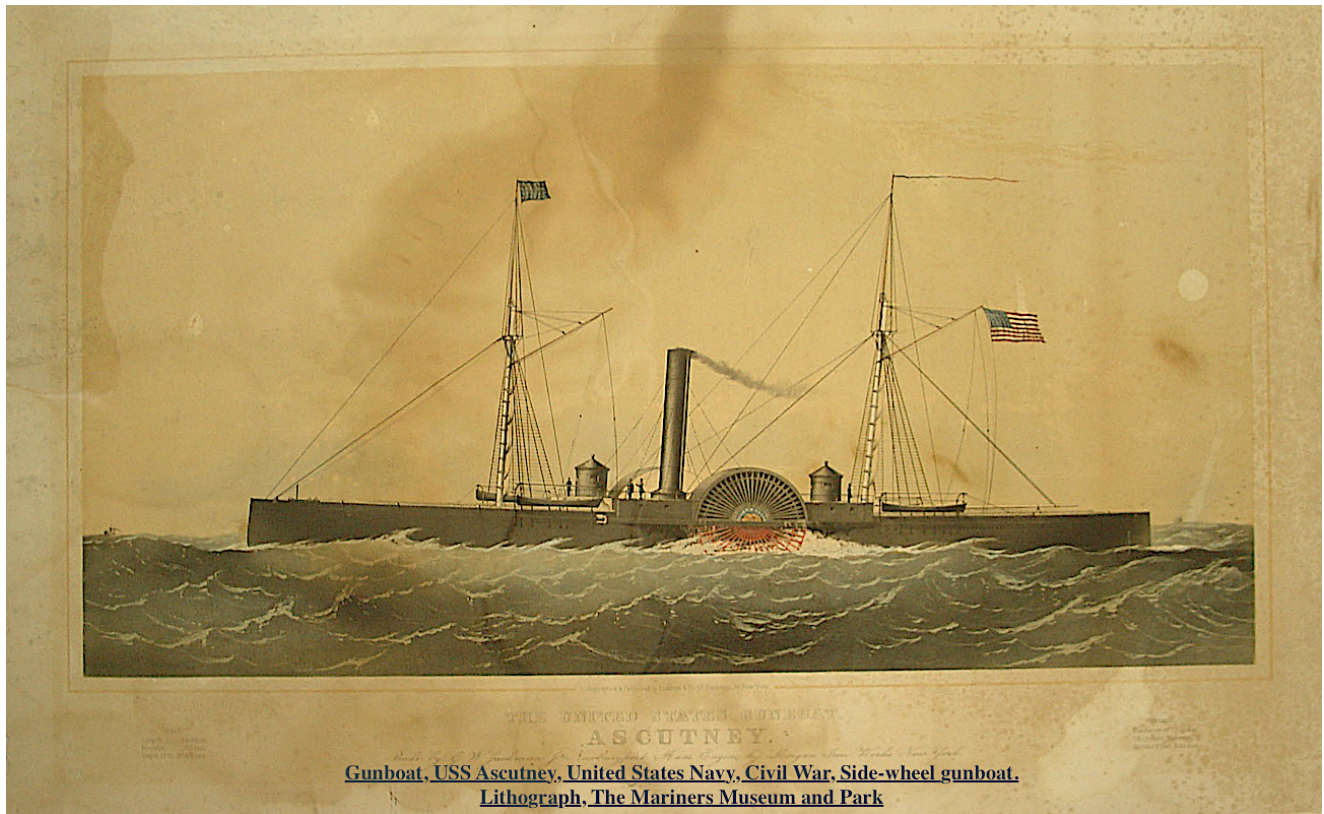
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John J. Currier Shipyard

At the foot of Butler Street, now Merrimac Court, from 1831 to 1884 - one of many shipyards along the Merrimac River in the North End of Newburyport.

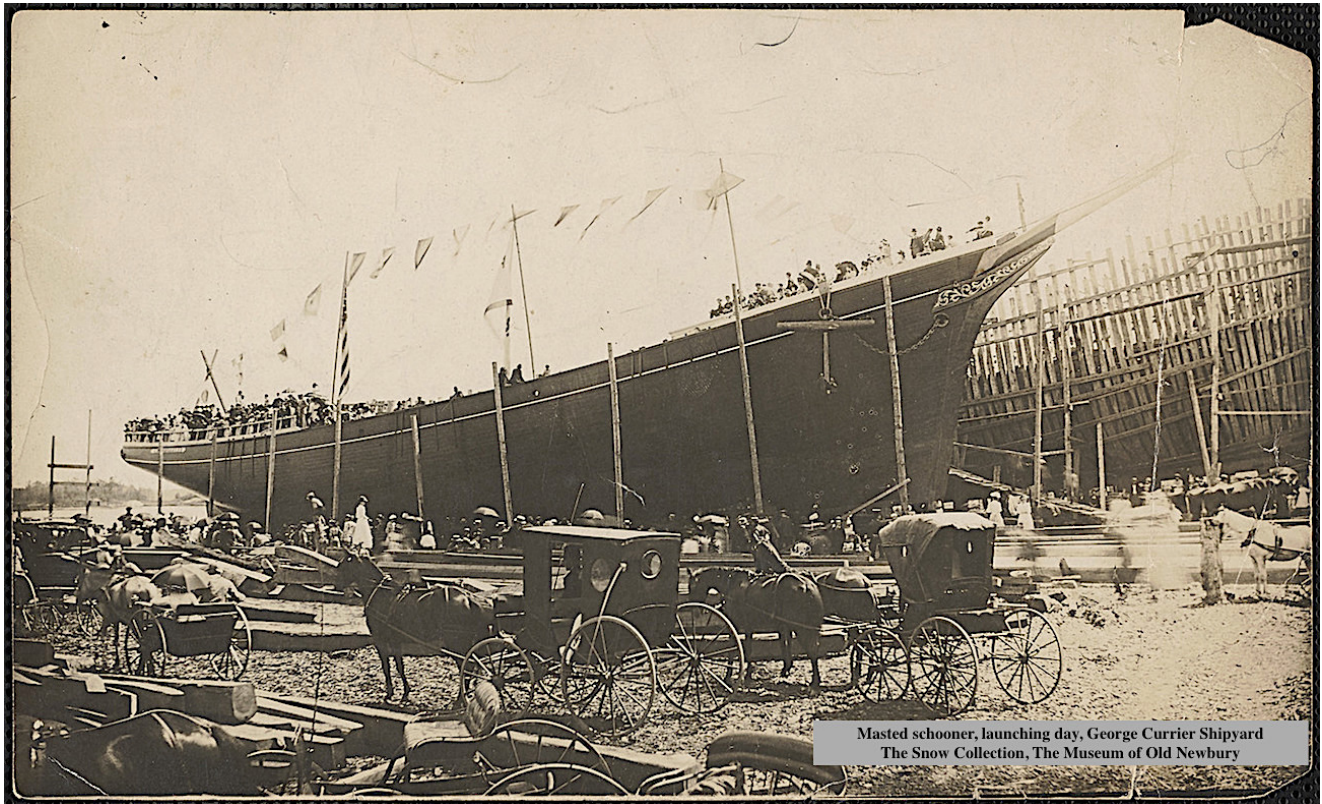
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The Jackman Shipyard

At the Foot of Forrester Street, it started around 1790 and closed in 1874 - one of many shipyards along the Merrimac River in the North End of Newburyport.

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Masted schooner, launching day, George Currier Shipyard
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The Shipyard at the foot of Ashland Street

Many ship builders occupied the shipyard at the foot of Ashland Street, and the decline of ship building in Newburyport.

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Market Square up State Street (Detail)
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Downtown Newburyport - Market Square and State Street

Market Square and State Street to Essex and Pleasant Streets - from 1655, after the Great Fire of 1811, the twentieth century, Urban Renewal of the 1970s, and after Urban Renewal to the twenty-first century.

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The Comb Factory
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The Comb Factory

On Chestnut Street, established in 1880 and closed in 1933.

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Meat cutter invented by Laroy Starrett

Laroy S. Starrett

Laroy S. Starrett was a farmer, a famous businessman, an inventor, whose first patent was in Newburyport, MA.

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Moggridge and Merrill Shipyard

Between the foot of Forrester and Butler Streets, ships were built there for almost 100 years.

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Mary Baker Eaton

Margaret Atwood

54-56 Lime Street - A resilient woman of faith, strength, and generosity, as well as an astute businesswoman who ran her husband's shipping business after his death in 1796.

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Stephen Hooper

The houses by Frog Pond and the wealthy Newburyport merchants in the late 1700s.

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Ethel Parton, courtesy of the Newburyport Public Library Archival Center, The Hugo Parton Collection

Ethel Parton

At 69 she turned to her family's stories and Newburyport's history and began writing books for young adults, she lived at 270 High Street.

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Atkinson Common, 1900 (Detail)
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Atkinson Common

A neglected field that became the gateway to the City of Newburyport.

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The Daily News of Newburyport,
Inn Street Office, ca 1900, courtesy of the
Daily News of Newburyport (Detail)

Local Newburyport Newspapers

There were 35 newspapers between 1773 and 1854, the Newburyport Daily News was first published in 1887.

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The Old Dodge House, State and Harris Street
The Snow Collection, The Museum of Old Newbury (Detail)

Dodge House

Two brothers originally built the house on State Street, it was moved to Garden Street. It was the location of the YMCA and now the Newburyport Public Library expansion.

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Rebecca Rawson

A story of love, betrayal, cruelty, and heartbreak.

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Unicorn Street

An ancient street in the heart of downtown Newburyport that was demolished during Urban Renewal.

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Ethel Reed

She made her name during the poster craze of the 1890s and was one of the most talented and prolific artists of that era.

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Tracy Mansion

The Newburyport Public Library, built in 1771, includes the Newburyport Public Library Archival Center, a hidden gem that houses so much of Newburyport's history and historic treasures.

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Homeopathic Hospital

The land was originally owned by Joshua Pillsbury, Captain Charles Lunt built a mansion on the Pillsbury Hill and it eventually became the Homeopathic Hospital before it was demolished for a housing development.

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Neighborhood Stores

There was once a whole variety of neighborhood stores throughout Newburyport's historic district which created a wonderful sense of community within the different neighborhoods.

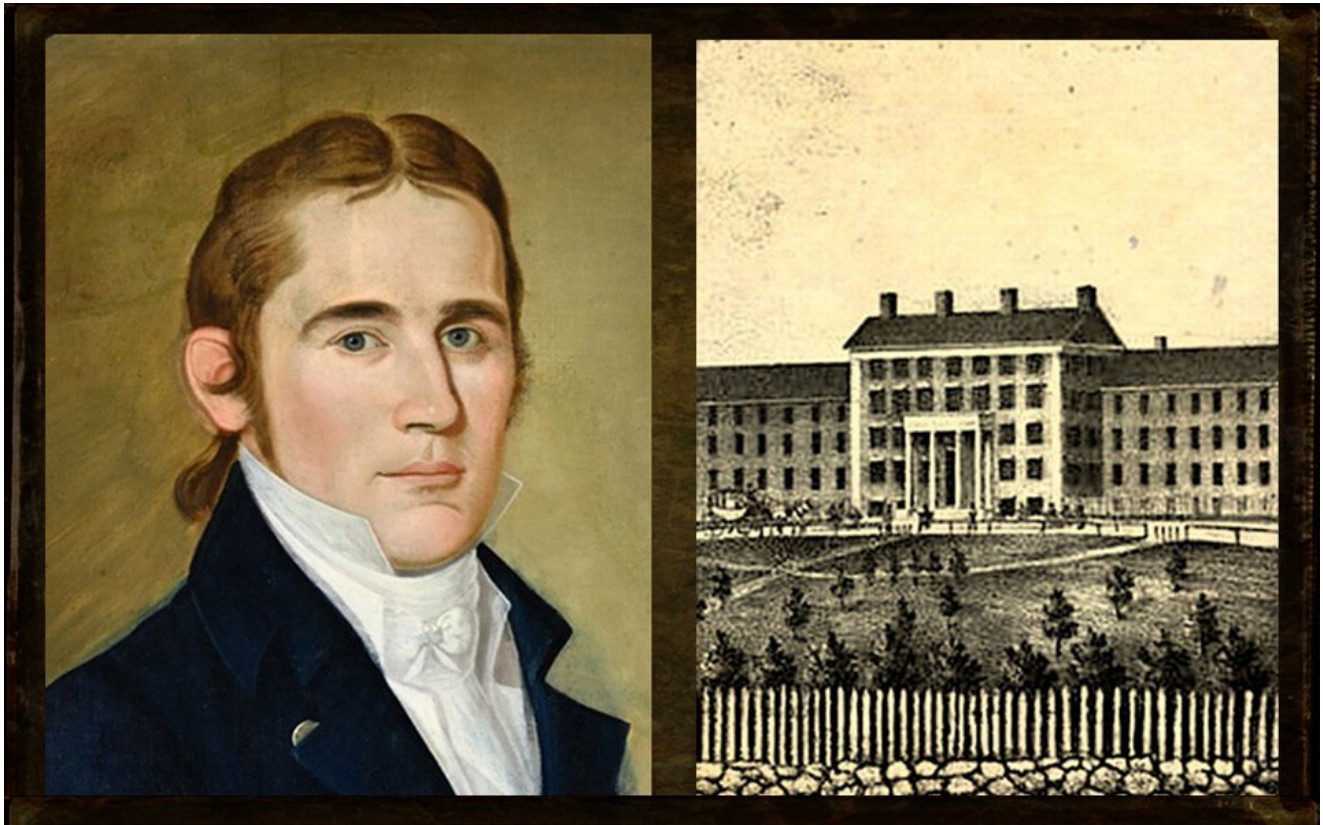
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A Multi-Generational Newburyport Family Saga

Jane M. Pardee - An orphan, an inheritance, a lunatic asylum, marriage, and a series of possible betrayals.

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Dr. John Brickett and the Worcester Insane Asylum

Part of the Newburyport Family Saga and Jane M. Pardee's story.

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